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TAGS: SNAR, HO, NU, US
SUBJECT: NICARAGUANS INVOLVED IN DRUG TRAFFICKING --

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1. (S - ENTIRE TEXT.)

2. DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE SEEN PRESS ACCOUNTS OF THE SEIZURE BY FORT LAUDERDALE (FLA) CUSTOMS OF 8,000 POUNDS OF COCAINE FOUND IN A SHIPMENT OF HONDURAN WOOD PRODUCTS. THE DEA AGENT ASSIGNED TDY TO THIS MISSION TRAVELLED NOVEMBER 20 TO THE WAREHOUSE IN PUERTO CORTES USED BY THE SMUGGLERS. IN COOPERATION WITH HONDURAN NAVAL OFFICERS, HE EXAMINED DOCUMENTS LEFT BEHIND BY THE TRAFFICKERS. ONE OF THE RING LEADERS OF THE OPERATION IS BELIEVED TO BE A NICARAGUAN NAMED [REDACTED]. WE HAVE NO DATE OF BIRTH OR OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON HIM AS YET. A PHOTO OF [REDACTED] WITH A MAN TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED AS [REDACTED] WAS FOUND AT THE WAREHOUSE.

3. WE ARE CHECKING [REDACTED] TO SEE IF [REDACTED] HAS ANY CONNECTION WITH THE NICARAGUAN RESIS-

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TANCE. SO FAR, INFORMATION ON HIM IS TOO SKETCHY TO MAKE A DETERMINATION, [REDACTED]

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